BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2007-215-C – ORDER NO. 2007-579

AUGUST 14, 2007

IN RE: Petition of Sprint Communications Company L.P. and) ORDER HOLDING
Sprint Spectrum L.P. d/b/a Sprint PCS for Arbitration) MOTION TO DISMISS IN
Rates, Terms, and Conditions of Interconnection with) ABEYANCE
BellSouth Telecommunications, Incorporated d/b/a)
AT&T South Carolina d/b/a AT&T Southeast)

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on a Motion to Dismiss filed by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T South Carolina ("AT&T") concerning the upcoming arbitration of the terms and conditions of an interconnection agreement between AT&T and Sprint Communications Company, L.P. and Sprint Spectrum L.P. d/b/a Sprint PCS (collectively "Sprint"). In its Motion, AT&T argues that the sole issue that Sprint raises in its Petition is not an arbitrable issue. However, this dispute deserves a complete airing by all the parties in the matter. As such, the Commission holds AT&T's Motion to Dismiss in abeyance in order to make a fully reasoned determination in this case. Therefore, we will proceed with the hearing on the merits of the case scheduled for August 20, 2007.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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